

*To Celebrate the Life  
of*



**Ashleigh Jade Metcalf  
'Ash'**

3rd October 1994 - 10th September 2023

Rushcliffe Oaks Crematorium

Wednesday 11th October 2023  
at 12.00 noon





# Order of Service

## **Music for Entry**

See You Again  
by Charlie Puth

## **Welcome and Introduction**



## Poem

### A Butterfly's Legacy

A soul so pure, a heart so kind,  
A butterfly's essence now enshrined.  
In every gentle flutter of wings,  
The beauty of your spirit sings.

A beacon of hope in times of despair,  
A loving presence always there.  
The wind beneath our fragile wings,  
A melody of love your memory brings.

Through every storm you held us near,  
In your cocoon, no need to fear.  
A great person, a soul so rare,  
A butterfly's touch forever we'll wear.





## **Ashleigh's Early Life**

### **Tribute**

by Superintendent Claire Rukas

### **A Tribute to a Friend**

by Emily Ingram

### **Tribute**

Ashleigh

by Jordan Bird



# **Ashleigh's Later Life**

## **Visual Tribute**

A Sky Full Of Stars  
by Coldplay

## **Committal**



## Poem

### The Dash

I read of a man who stood to speak  
At the funeral of a friend,  
He referred to the dates on the tombstone,  
From the beginning to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth  
And spoke the following date with tears,  
But he said what mattered most of all  
Was the dash between those years,

For that dash represents all the time  
That they spent alive on earth,  
And now only those who loved them  
Know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own,  
The cars...the house...the cash,  
What matters is how we live and love  
And how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard,  
Are there things you'd like to change?  
For you never know how much time is left  
That can still be rearranged.





If we could just slow down enough  
To consider what's true and real,  
And always try to understand  
The way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger  
And show appreciation more,  
And love the people in our lives  
Like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect  
And more often wear a smile,  
Remembering this special dash  
Might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read  
With your life's actions to rehash,  
Would you be proud of the things they say  
About how you spent YOUR dash?

*Linda Ellis*



## **Closing Words**

### **Music for Exit**

(Your Love Keeps Lifting Me) Higher And Higher  
by Jackie Wilson







The family would like to thank everyone  
for their kind words and support at this sad time.

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